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SUBJECT: US COMMENTS ON DRAFT STUDY

REF: OECD REPORT DSTI/SI/PP/75.80

1. OUR COMMENTS ON OECD WASTE PAPER STUDY FOLLOW:

A. PAGE 5: WE FEEL THAT REFERENCE TO US IN FOOTNOTE ONE IS MISLEADING AND RECOMMEND THAT IT BE OMITTED. US IS USING SAME RATIOS (I.E. RECOVERY RATES AND UTILIZATION RATES) AS THOSE USED BY OECD, AND REFERENCE TO "HYBRID RATE" IS NOT GERMANE. WITH AN INCREASE IN EXPORTS DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE UTILIZATION RATES AND RECOVERY RATES CAN BE SIGNIFICANT. IN 1974, 8 PERCENT OF US COLLECTIONS OF WASTE PAPER WERE EXPORTED. FURTHERMORE, US EXPORTS OF PAPER AND PAPERBOARD AND MARKET PULP, ACCOUNTING FOR ABOUT 10 PERCENT OF PRODUCTION, CANNOT BE CONSIDERED INSIGNIFICANT, IN PERCENTAGE TERMS BUT ESPECIALLY IN ABSOLUTE TERMS.

B. PAGE 6: WE FEEL THAT FIRST PARAGRAPH WITH ITS REFERENCE TO THE WAR-TIME RECYCLING RATES OF US LEAVES

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THE WRONG IMPRESSION. THERE ARE NUMEROUS ECONOMIC AS

WELL AS TECHNOLOGICAL FACTORS THAT MAKE THIS STATEMENT

NOT APPLICABLE TO PRESENT AND POSSIBLY FUTURE CONDITIONS
IN THE US.

C. PAGE 8 AND 9: THE RECOVERY AND UTILIZATION RATE FOR
THE US DO NOT SEEM TO CORRESPOND WITH EITHER THE MRI
REPORTS OR US RESPONSE TO THE OECD QUESTIONNAIRE.

D. PAGE 15: THE STATEMENT MADE IN PARA 21 DOES NOT
NECESSARILY APPLY TO US. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WOULD
LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THE POINT MADE IN PREVIOUS US COMMENTS
THAT GRADES OF WASTE PAPER USED MUST BE LOOKED AT IN
FRAMEWORK OF GRADE OF PAPER AND PAPERBOARD TO BE
PRODUCED (E.G. OLD NEWSPAPERS CANNOT BE USED TO MAKE
LINER BOARD AND USED CORRUGATED BOXES CANNOT BE USED TO
MAKE RECYCLED NEWSPRINTS). HOWEVER, CONCLUSION ON LONG
TERM TREND IS CORRECT.

E. PAGE 31: THIS TABLE DOES NOT USE API, MRI OR CENSUS
DATA AND APPEARS TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THE TABLE ON
PAGE 8.

2. MISSION SHOULD TRANSMIT FOREGOING OFFICIAL COMMENTS
ON DRAFT STUDY TO OECD SECRETARIAT. KISSINGER

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